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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 12, 13, 15 and 21. Please amend the claims as follows:

1 – 11. (previously canceled)

12 - 13. (canceled)

14. (previously canceled)

15. (canceled)

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein said FXR agonist is GW4064.

17-19. (previously canceled)

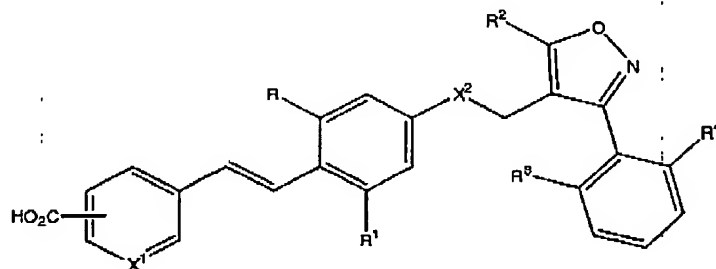
20. (previously amended) A method of lowering serum triglycerides in a mammal comprising administering to a mammal in need of such an effective serum triglyceride lowering amount of a non-steroidal agonist for Farnesoid X Receptor.

21. (canceled)

22-35. (previously canceled)

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36. (new) A method of lowering serum triglycerides in a mammal comprising administering to a mammal in need thereof an effective serum triglyceride lowering amount of a nonsteroidal agonist for Farnesoid X Receptor of the following formula:



wherein X¹ is CH, N; X² is O or NH; R and R¹ are independently H, lower alkyl, halogen, or CF₃; R² is lower alkyl; R³ and R⁴ are independently H, lower alkyl, halogen, CF₃, OH, O-alkyl, or O-polyhaloalkyl.